

SEAHOLM INTAKE FACILITY REUSE FACT SHEET

The Seaholm Power Plant, a City-owned retired power generation facility, was designed by Burns & McDonnell Engineering Co. and built of cast concrete in two phases in 1950 and 1955 by Odom Construction. Seaholm Intake was the pump house for the Seaholm Power Plant. The Seaholm Power Plant represents a strong civic presence in the cityscape of downtown Austin and showcases a unique period of American Art Deco municipal architecture and public works engineering.

The plant was dedicated posthumously in 1960 to Walter E. Seaholm, who served as Superintendent of Water and Light and City Manager during his 33-year career with the City of Austin. Seaholm operated as a power plant until 1989. In 1996, Austin City Council authorized the decommissioning of the plant and all the associated buildings, in preparation for future adaptive reuse. In 2000 a District Master Plan for the site was commissioned the City of Austin. In 2005 the Austin City Council selected Seaholm Power, LLC, to redevelop Seaholm. Council approved the Master Development Agreement with Seaholm Power Development, LLC in April 2008. Once complete, the site will feature a mix of office space, local retail shops, residential, special event space and an outdoor terrace that overlooks Lady Bird Lake.

The Seaholm Intake Facility is located on the banks of the Lady Bird Lake and the Roy and Ann Butler Hike and Bike Trail and bonded by César Chavez Street. The project site is bonded north south by the Cesar Chavez and the Lake and east west by Shoal Creek and the Railroad bridge. Stakeholder involvement will begin with Speak Up Austin and Open House Events. The most prominent ideas will then be incorporated into a Design Idea's Competition. The Open Houses and Design Idea Competition are sponsored by The Parks and Recreation Department, The Parks Foundation, The Trail Foundation and AIA Austin. The Trail Foundation will possibly engage a consultant/designer to design Phase 1 which entails the trial head restrooms and site work near Shoal Creek. The top ten (10) will then be on display at Austin City Hall from July 29, 2013 through August 2, 2013. All top ten (10) will be posted on the City of Austin project website, www.austintexas.gov/seaholm-intake. The top three (3) entries will receive recognition for their efforts and their concepts will be incorporated into the next stage of development of a Public Private Partnership for a Master Development Agreement.

For more information on the Seaholm Intake Facility, site and its history please see the <u>Seaholm Intake Feasibility</u> <u>Study</u>, posted on the web site. The feasibility study will also be the guideline for the constructability of the Design Idea Competition.

DATES:

Registration Opens: 03/25/13

Open House: 04/24/13; 04/26/13; 04/27/13

Final Competition Info: 05/02/13 Registration Ends: 05/03/13 Submissions Due: 07/12/13

Top Ten on display: 07/29/13 - 08/02/13

Top Three Revealed: 08/09/13